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Mr. Thor M. Strong, Chief Radiological Protection Section Waste and Hazardous Materials Division Michigan Department of Environmental Quality P.O Box 30241 Lansing, MI 48909-7741

Dear Mr. Strong:

Thank you for your April 30, 2008, letter providing us with a status report about your progress in order to enter into an Agreement with the U.S Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). We value your efforts in improving your Radiation Control Programs by enhancing your staff's skills through participation at NRC training courses and inspections during NRC visits to the State of Michigan.

Now that you intend to implement an Agreement by September 2012, Michigan should submit a draft application by September 2011, no later than one year prior to the anticipated effective date. We would appreciate an update in your next status report regarding your progress on legislative and rules revisions. At this time, William Rautzen, from my staff, has been assigned the Project Manager for the Michigan Agreement. Please contact Mr. Rautzen at (301) 415-7206 or e-mail William.Rautzen@nrc.gov if you have any questions.

For questions concerning the Agreement process please contact either William Rautzen or Duncan White at (301) 415-2598, <u>Duncan.White@nrc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Lewis, Director

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